From Paragraph 1.0 of the Specimen Contract it is clear we are to provide post delivery support for servicing the dewar.

Paragraph 1.0 states:

Support for integration of the MIRI Dewar with the MIRI Instrument, instrument level testing and post-delivery activities through the post-launch phase shall be provided.

Section 1.8 defines the post delivery support as:

Support on an as-needed basis (60 days at GSFC; 30 days at Plum Brook; 30 days at Kourou; 10 days at NGST (TBR)) to resolve interface control issues; to provide materials (i.e., test equipment, connectors, cables, and special tools) and services; and to perform Dewar integration and test and launch preparation activities at JPL (TBD, GSFC) and the launch site.

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Question 1: What level of support is expected during the Phase III, Post delivery support? Are we to assume that the following CDRL items are still required during the Post Delivery Phase: EV 003 Schedules, EV 005 cost/schedule Performance Report, EV006 NASA Financial Monthly Report, MA 005 Program Status Review and Reports (MMR Reports, weekly status reports, TIMs, Interface Working Groups), SA 001 Safety Data Package inputs. Are we only to cost support during the 60, 30, 30, and 10 day periods called out in 1.8 of the specimen contract?

Answer 1:

The dates in Section 1.8 define the periods that a contractor team would need to be on site to support the Dewar hardware. We realize there will need to be an in place infrastructure supporting the ability to have the periodic periods of heavy support. So, we would still need support for the CDRL items mentioned above: EV003, EV005, EV006, MA 005 and SA 001.

Question 2: Are we expected to provide support during ETU dewar testing? What is the expected scope of this support, if any is required, and when does it occur?

Answer 2:

The Dewar vendor will have to provide some support during testing that includes the ETU dewar. The scope of the support includes: Support for ETU integration on the ETU ISIM and with the STM OBA Support for cryo testing at GSFC (2 separate test cycles).

So, section 1.8 should read:

Support on an as-needed basis (60 days at GSFC; 30 days at Plum Brook; 30 days at Kourou; 10 days at NGST (TBR)) to resolve interface control issues; to provide materials (i.e., test equipment, connectors, cables, and special tools) and services; and to perform Dewar integration and test and launch preparation activities at JPL (TBD, GSFC) and the launch site. Support will also be required for ETU integration and testing (20 days for ETU integration and initial testing at GSFC, 10 days for final ETU testing at GSFC).

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